Northern District of California

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA SAN JOSE DIVISION

FINJAN, INC.,

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Plaintiff,

v.

CISCO SYSTEMS INC.,

Defendant.

Case No. 17-cv-00072-BLF

ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S INISTRATIVE MOTION TO **SEAL AT ECF 322**

[RE: ECF 322]

Before the Court is Plaintiff's administrative motion to file under seal portions of the briefing and exhibits submitted in connection with Plaintiff's Opposition to Motion to Strike Finjan's Expert Reports on Infringement (ECF 323). ECF 322. For the reasons that follow, the motion to seal is GRANTED.

I. **LEGAL STANDARD**

"Historically, courts have recognized a 'general right to inspect and copy public records and documents, including judicial records and documents." Kamakana v. City & Cty. Of Honolulu, 447 F.3d 1172, 1178 (9th Cir. 2006) (quoting Nixon v. Warner Commc'ns, Inc., 435 U.S. 589, 597 & n. 7 (1978)). Accordingly, when considering a sealing request, "a 'strong presumption in favor of access' is the starting point." *Id.* (quoting *Foltz v. State Farm Mut. Auto.* Ins. Co., 331 F.3d 1122, 1135 (9th Cir. 2003)). Parties seeking to seal judicial records relating to motions that are "more than tangentially related to the underlying cause of action" bear the burden of overcoming the presumption with "compelling reasons" that outweigh the general history of access and the public policies favoring disclosure. Ctr. for Auto Safety v. Chrysler Grp., 809 F.3d 1092, 1099 (9th Cir. 2016); Kamakana, 447 F.3d at 1178–79. Parties moving to seal documents must also comply with the procedures established by Civ. L.R. 79-5. Pursuant to Civ. L.R. 79-

5(b), a sealing order is appropriate only upon a request

that establishes the document is "sealable," or "privileged or protectable as a trade secret or otherwise entitled to protection under the law." "The request must be narrowly tailored to seek sealing only of sealable material, and must conform with Civil L.R. 79-5(d)." Civ. L.R. 79-5(b). In part, Civ. L.R. 79-5(d) requires the submitting party to attach a "proposed order that is narrowly tailored to seal only the sealable material" which "lists in table format each document or portion thereof that is sought to be sealed," Civ. L.R. 79-5(d)(1)(b), and an "unredacted version of the document" that indicates "by highlighting or other clear method, the portions of the document that have been omitted from the redacted version." Civ. L.R. 79-5(d)(1)(d). "Within 4 days of the filing of the Administrative Motion to File Under Seal, the Designating Party must file a declaration as required by subsection 79-5(d)(1)(A) establishing that all of the designated material is sealable." Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).

II. DISCUSSION

The Court has reviewed Plaintiff's sealing motion and the declaration of the designating party submitted in support thereof. The Court finds that Plaintiff and the designating party have articulated compelling reasons to seal certain portions of the requested documents. The proposed redactions are narrowly tailored. The Court's rulings on the sealing requests are set forth in the table below.

ECF No.	Document to be Sealed	Result	Reasoning
322-48	Plaintiff Finjan, Inc.'s Opposition to Defendant Cisco Systems, Inc.'s Motion to Strike Finjan's Expert Reports on Infringement	GRANTED as to the highlighted portions at page 3, lines 26-27; page 4, lines 1-3; page 5, lines 12-13, 14-15, 16, 20, 22, 23; page 6, lines 1, 5, 6-7, 20-22; page 8, lines 9-10, 16-18, 18-19, 21-23; page 9,	If filed publicly, this confidential information could be used to Cisco's disadvantage by competitors, as it reveals the identification, organization, and/or operation of Cisco's proprietary products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4, ECF 344. In particular, Cisco's competitors could use this confidential information to map proprietary features of Cisco's products. <i>Id.</i>

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		lines 4-6, 7-8, 9-15, 16-17	
322-4	Chart listing the terms identified in Cisco's Motion to Strike Finjan's	GRANTED as to the entire document.	If filed publicly, this confidential information could be used to Cisco's
Exh. 1	Expert Reports on Infringement in View of the Orders dated June 11, 2019, and July 7, 2019, identifying where the relevant functionalities were disclosed in Finjan's infringement contentions, and identifying where and how the same functionality is disclosed in the respective expert reports.		disadvantage by competitors, as it reveals the identification, organization, and/or operation of Cisco's proprietary products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4, ECF 344. In particular, Cisco's competitors could use this confidential information to map proprietary features of Cisco's products. <i>Id.</i>
	See Kobialka Decl., ¶ 2, ECF 323-2.		
322-6	March 15, 2019 Letter from counsel for Finjan,	GRANTED as to the entire	If filed publicly, this confidential information could
Exh. 2	James Hannah, to counsel for Cisco, Jarrad Gunther	document.	be used to Cisco's disadvantage by competitors, as it reveals the identification, organization, and/or operation of Cisco's proprietary products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4, ECF 344. In particular, Cisco's competitors could use this confidential information to map proprietary features of Cisco's products. <i>Id.</i>
322-8	Excerpts of Deposition Transcript of Matthew	GRANTED as to the entire	If filed publicly, this confidential information could
Exh. 2A	Watchinski	document.	be used to Cisco's disadvantage by competitors, as it reveals the identification, organization, and/or operation of Cisco's proprietary products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4, ECF 344. In particular, Cisco's competitors could use this confidential information to map proprietary features of Cisco's products. <i>Id</i> .
322-10	Excerpts of Deposition	GRANTED as	If filed publicly, this

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Exh. 2B	Transcript of Craig Brozefsky	to the entire document.	confidential information could be used to Cisco's disadvantage by competitors, as it reveals the identification, organization, and/or operation of Cisco's proprietary products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4, ECF 344. In particular, Cisco's competitors could use this confidential information to map proprietary features of Cisco's products. <i>Id</i> .
322-12 Exh. 2C	Excerpts of Deposition Transcript of Alfred Huger	GRANTED as to the entire document.	If filed publicly, this confidential information could be used to Cisco's disadvantage by competitors, as it reveals the identification, organization, and/or operation of Cisco's proprietary products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4, ECF 344. In particular, Cisco's competitors could use this confidential information to map proprietary features of Cisco's products. <i>Id.</i>
322-14 Exh. 2D	Excerpts of Deposition Transcript of Jacob Valentic	GRANTED as to the entire document.	If filed publicly, this confidential information could be used to Cisco's disadvantage by competitors, as it reveals the identification, organization, and/or operation of Cisco's proprietary products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4, ECF 344. In particular, Cisco's competitors could use this confidential information to map proprietary features of Cisco's products. <i>Id.</i>
322-16 Exh. 3	March 29, 2019 Letter from counsel for Finjan, James Hannah, to counsel for Cisco, Jarrad Gunther	GRANTED as to the entire document.	If filed publicly, this confidential information could be used to Cisco's disadvantage by competitors, as it reveals the identification, organization, and/or operation of Cisco's proprietary products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4,

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			Cisco's competitors could use
			this confidential information to
			map proprietary features of
			Cisco's products. <i>Id</i> .
322-18	Excerpts of Deposition	GRANTED as	If filed publicly, this
	Transcript of Charles Buck	to the entire	confidential information could
Exh. 3A		document.	be used to Cisco's
			disadvantage by competitors,
			as it reveals the identification,
			organization, and/or operation
			of Cisco's proprietary
			products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4,
			ECF 344. In particular,
			Cisco's competitors could use
			this confidential information to
			map proprietary features of
			Cisco's products. <i>Id</i> .
322-20	Excerpts of Deposition	GRANTED as	If filed publicly, this
	Transcript of Surya Allena	to the entire	confidential information could
Exh. 3B		document.	be used to Cisco's
			disadvantage by competitors,
			as it reveals the identification,
			organization, and/or operation
			of Cisco's proprietary
			products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4,
			ECF 344. In particular,
			Cisco's competitors could use
			this confidential information to
			map proprietary features of
			Cisco's products. <i>Id</i> .
322-22	Excerpts of Deposition	GRANTED as	If filed publicly, this
F 1 20	Transcript of Dean De Beer	to the entire	confidential information could
Exh. 3C		document.	be used to Cisco's
			disadvantage by competitors,
			as it reveals the identification,
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			of Cisco's proprietary
			products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4,
			ECF 344. In particular,
			Cisco's competitors could use
			this confidential information to
			map proprietary features of
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322-24	Excerpts of Deposition	GRANTED as	If filed publicly, this
	Transcript of Matthew	to the entire	confidential information could

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			map proprietary features of Cisco's products. <i>Id.</i>
322-26 Exh. 4	April 18, 2019 Letter from counsel for Finjan, James Hannah, to counsel for Cisco, Jarrad Gunther	GRANTED as to the entire document.	If filed publicly, this confidential information could be used to Cisco's disadvantage by competitors, as it reveals the identification, organization, and/or operation of Cisco's proprietary products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4, ECF 344. In particular, Cisco's competitors could use this confidential information to map proprietary features of
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322-28 Exh. 4A	Excerpts of Deposition Transcript of Philip Kwok	GRANTED as to the entire document.	If filed publicly, this confidential information could be used to Cisco's disadvantage by competitors, as it reveals the identification, organization, and/or operation of Cisco's proprietary products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4, ECF 344. In particular, Cisco's competitors could use this confidential information to map proprietary features of Cisco's products. <i>Id.</i>
322-30 Exh. 4B	Excerpts of Deposition Transcript of Srinivas Kuruganti	GRANTED as to the entire document.	If filed publicly, this confidential information could be used to Cisco's disadvantage by competitors, as it reveals the identification, organization, and/or operation of Cisco's proprietary products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4, ECF 344. In particular,

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			Cisco's competitors could use
			this confidential information to
			map proprietary features of
	 		Cisco's products. <i>Id</i> .
322-32	Technical document	GRANTED as	If filed publicly, this
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	Philip Kwok, bates-labeled		disadvantage by competitors,
	CISCO-		as it reveals the identification,
	FINJAN_00000346.0001-		organization, and/or operation
	19		of Cisco's proprietary
			products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4,
			ECF 344. In particular,
			Cisco's competitors could use
			this confidential information to
			map proprietary features of
222.24		CD ANIMED	Cisco's products. <i>Id</i> .
322-34	Technical document bates-	GRANTED as	If filed publicly, this
F 1 45	labeled CISCO-	to the entire	confidential information could
Exh. 4D	FINJAN_00132230.0001-	document.	be used to Cisco's
	94		disadvantage by competitors,
			as it reveals the identification,
			organization, and/or operation
			of Cisco's proprietary
			products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4,
			ECF 344. In particular,
			Cisco's competitors could use
			this confidential information to
			map proprietary features of
222.26		CD ANTEED	Cisco's products. <i>Id</i> .
322-36	Presentation bates-labeled	GRANTED as	If filed publicly, this
E 1 4E	CISCO-	to the entire	confidential information could
Exh. 4E	FINJAN_00000080.0001-	document.	be used to Cisco's
	48		disadvantage by competitors,
			as it reveals the identification,
			organization, and/or operation
			of Cisco's proprietary
			products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4,
			ECF 344. In particular,
			Cisco's competitors could use
			this confidential information to
			map proprietary features of
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322-38	Expert Report of Eric Cole	GRANTED as	If filed publicly, this
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	Systems, Inc. of Patent		disadvantage by competitors,
	Nos. 6,154,844 and		as it reveals the identification,
	8,677,494		organization, and/or operation
			of Cisco's proprietary
			products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4,
			ECF 344. In particular,
			Cisco's competitors could use
			this confidential information to
			map proprietary features of
			Cisco's products. <i>Id</i> .
322-40	Expert Report of Michael	GRANTED as	If filed publicly, this
	Mitzenmacher, Ph.D.	to the entire	confidential information could
Exh. 6	Regarding Infringement by	document.	be used to Cisco's
	Cisco Systems, Inc. of		disadvantage by competitors,
	Patent Nos. 6,804,780 and		as it reveals the identification,
	8,141,154		organization, and/or operation
	3,2 12,22 1		of Cisco's proprietary
			products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4.
			ECF 344. In particular,
			Cisco's competitors could use
			this confidential information to
			map proprietary features of
322-42	Expant Dancet of Nanad	GRANTED as	Cisco's products. <i>Id</i> . If filed publicly, this
322-42	Expert Report of Nenad Medvidovic, Ph.D.	to the entire	confidential information could
Exh. 7	1		be used to Cisco's
EXII. /	Regarding Infringement by	document.	
	Cisco Systems, Inc. of		disadvantage by competitors,
	Patent No. 7,647,633		as it reveals the identification,
			organization, and/or operation
			of Cisco's proprietary
			products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4,
			ECF 344. In particular,
			Cisco's competitors could use
			this confidential information to
			map proprietary features of
			Cisco's products. <i>Id</i> .
322-44	Rebuttal Expert Report of	GRANTED as	If filed publicly, this
	Dr. Kevin Almeroth on	to the entire	confidential information could
Exh. 9	Non-Infringement of U.S.	document.	be used to Cisco's
	Patent Nos. 6,154,844 and		disadvantage by competitors,
	8,141,154		as it reveals the identification,
			organization, and/or operation
			of Cisco's proprietary
			products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4,
			ECF 344. In particular,
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			this confidential information to
			map proprietary features of
			Cisco's products. <i>Id</i> .
322-46	Rebuttal Expert Report of	GRANTED as	If filed publicly, this
	Dr. Patrick McDaniel	to the entire	confidential information could
Exh. 10	Regarding the Non-	document.	be used to Cisco's
	Infringement of the '494		disadvantage by competitors,
	and '780 Patents		as it reveals the identification,
			organization, and/or operation
			of Cisco's proprietary
			products. Bartow Decl. ¶¶ 2-4,
			ECF 344. In particular,
			Cisco's competitors could use
			this confidential information to
			map proprietary features of
			Cisco's products. <i>Id</i> .

III. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, the Court hereby GRANTS Plaintiff's motion to seal at ECF 322. No further action is necessary.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 16, 2019

BETH LABSON FREEMAN United States District Judge

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